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Lemhi County Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (May 2023) 4.054 **Unemployment Rate (May 2023)** 3.9% Population (2022) 8.240 \$46,105 Median Household Income (2021) \$50,927 Per Capita Personal Income (2021) Poverty Rate (2021) 12.4%

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1. Lemhi County Demographic Characteristics, 2021 5-Year ACS

	Lemhi County	Lemhi County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)	
Total Population	7,948	100.0%	1,811,617	329,725,481	
Race and Ethnicity					
White alone, not hispanic	7,765	97.7%	86.5%	68.2%	
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	66	0.8%	0.7%	12.6%	
Native American alone, not hispanic	284	3.6%	1.3%	0.8%	
Asian alone, not hispanic	18	0.2%	1.4%	5.7%	
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	278	3.5%	12.9%	18.4%	
Gender					
Male	4,153	52.3%	50.4%	49.5%	
Female	3,795	47.7%	49.6%	50.5%	
Age					
Median age	52.8	-	36.8	38.4	
Under 18 years	1,420	17.9%	25.3%	22.5%	
Over 18 years	6,528	82.1%	74.7%	77.5%	
21 years and over	6,048	76.1%	65.4%	68.3%	
Over 65 years	2,390	30.1%	15.8%	16.0%	
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)					
Less than 9th grade	98	1.2%	2.2%	3.3%	
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	1,802	22.7%	18.7%	18.2%	
Some college, no degree	1,740	21.9%	16.4%	13.4%	
Associate's degree	574	7.2%	7.0%	6.1%	
Bachelor's degree	879	11.1%	14.0%	14.7%	
Graduate or professional degree	446	5.6%	7.3%	9.5%	
Median Household Income	\$46,105	-	\$63,377	\$69,021	

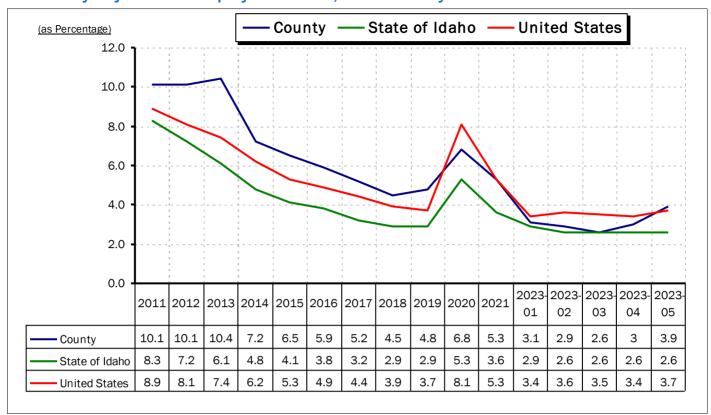
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force Growth, May 2022 to May 2023

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
May 2023	4,054	3,894	160	3.9%
May 2022	3,821	3,666	155	4.1%
YoY % Change	6.1%	6.2%	3.2%	-0.2%

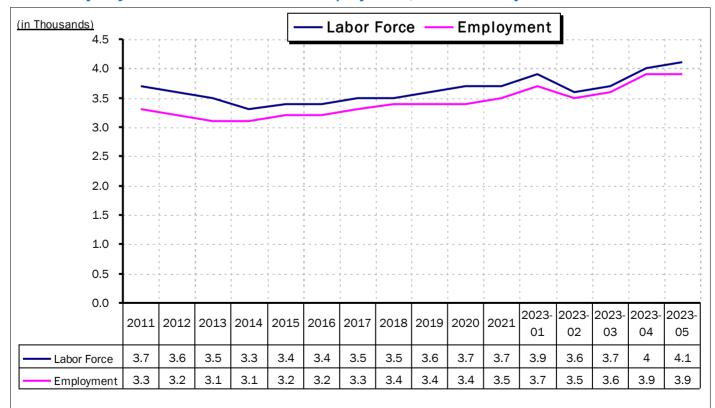
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2012 to May 2023



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4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2012 to May 2023



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5. Industry Employment and Wages, 2012, 2021, and 2022

	201	2	202	21	202	2
Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	2,248	\$30,833	2,601	\$41,328	2,607	\$47,150
Natural Resources and Mining	60	\$56,166	63	\$41,262	113	\$72,217
Construction	142	\$38,034	215	\$43,565	196	\$47,310
Manufacturing	74	\$35,305	90	\$37,481	91	\$40,054
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	392	\$28,401	465	\$29,011	455	\$32,707
Information	30	\$20,984	35	\$18,579	35	\$18,889
Financial Activities	63	\$30,369	56	\$38,405	68	\$36,978
Professional and Business Services	134	\$28,943	167	\$79,836	169	\$86,049
Education and Health Services	562	\$27,853	652	\$48,066	647	\$53,728
Leisure and Hospitality	274	\$12,889	384	\$17,041	365	\$20,288
Other Services	98	\$18,812	64	\$35,913	54	\$40,706
Public Administration	419	\$46,251	401	\$55,735	414	\$60,072

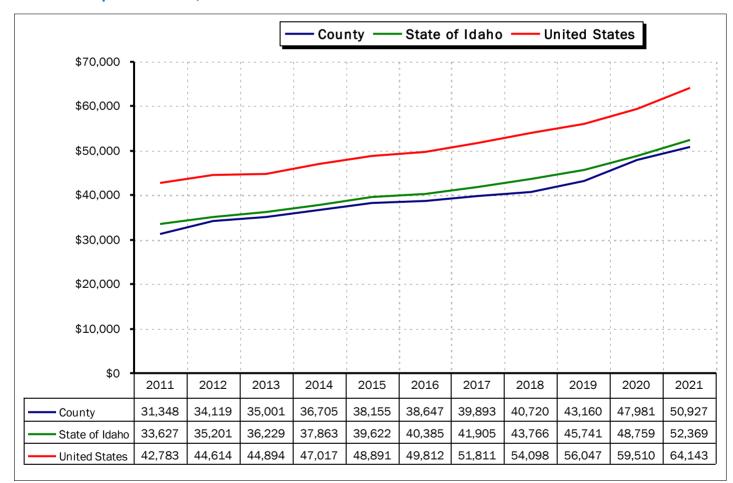
Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

6. Top Employers, 2021

Employer	Ownership	Employment Range
Steele Memorial Medical Center	Local Government	100 - 249
U.s. Forest Service	Federal Government	100 - 249
Salmon School District	Local Government	100 - 249
Lemhi County	Local Government	050 - 099
Saveway Market	Private	050 - 099
Idaho Department Of Fish And Game	State Government	050 - 099
Dahle Construction	Private	050 - 099
Sawtooth Healthcare	Private	050 - 099
Q B Corporation	Private	050 - 099
Ray's Heating Plumbing Electric	Private	010 - 049

NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor- Quarterly Census of Employment Wages (QCEW)

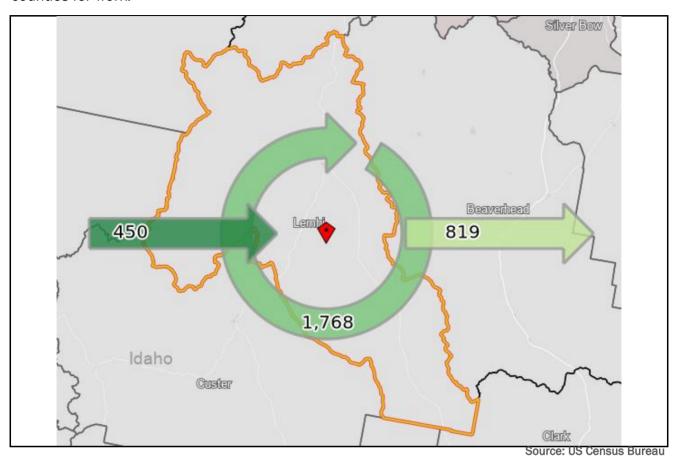
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2011 to 2021



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2020

It is estimated that 1,768 workers lived and worked in Lemhi County in 2020. Another 450 workers were employed in Lemhi County but lived outside, while 819 workers commuted to other counties for work.



9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Lemhi County Live, 2020

City of Residence	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Salmon	818	36.9%
Idaho Falls	26	1.2%
Boise City	24	1.1%
Leadore	17	0.8%
Bozeman , MT	14	0.6%
Pocatello	12	0.5%
Butte-Silver Bow (), MT	11	0.5%
Meridian	11	0.5%
Missoula , MT	10	0.5%
Rexburg	9	0.4%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau- Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD)

10. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Live in Lemhi County Work, 2020

City of Employment	Count of All Jobs	Percentage of Total Jobs
Salmon	1,280	49.5%
Idaho Falls	103	4.0%
Boise City	94	3.6%
Challis	32	1.2%
Rexburg	31	1.2%
Twin Falls	31	1.2%
Leadore	27	1.0%
Pocatello	25	1.0%
Mackay	20	0.8%
Meridian	20	0.8%

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